

POOR ROBIN, 1700.

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# ALMANACK

Of the Old and New Fashion :

O R,

An EPHEMERIS both in Jest and Earnest,  
wherein the Reader may find (if he carefully mind  
what is written herein) many remarkable things  
worthy of his choicest Observation.

Containing a Two-fold Calendar ;

*Viz.* The Old, Honest, Julian, or English Account, and  
the Round-heads, Whimzey-heads, Maggot-pated,  
Paper-scul'd, Fanaticks, or new Account, with their  
several Saints Days, and Observations upon every  
Month.

Being the BISSEXTILE or Leap-Year.

*Written by* POOR ROBIN, *Knight of the*  
*Burnt-Island ; a Well-willer to the Mathematicks.*

*The Thirty Eighth Impression.*

*Here are your Rules of Art, most plainly showing  
What things the Planets are 'bout Mortals doing ;  
How Saturn, Jupiter, Mars, Sol, and Venus,  
Mercury and Luna, love or disesteem us ;  
Tet look not from me, Reader, such Predictions  
That I shall maintain true without Restrictions,  
No, all such things which I herein devise  
Prove very true, and if not — otherwise.*



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To any Reader, poor or rich,  
Male or Female, I care not which.

**G**entle or Simple, honest Man or arrant Knave, all's  
one to me, so you do but buy my Book and pay for it;  
and indeed I think I shall not need to fear but that I shall  
have many Buyers, since my Almanack is a kind of a Phy-  
sician, it cures Men of Melancholiness, which is the Ori-  
ginal of a great many Diseases. Now those that do not  
know the Price of Health, ask but a Physician and he will  
tell it you, viz. For a rich Man, it will cost him many  
Pounds, for a midling Man of Estate, many Shillings; but  
for a poor Man, if the Physician be honest, he will afford  
it him only for some Pence; but my Book is of one Price to  
every Man, high or low, rich Man or poor, honest Man  
or Knave.

For she is common unto all that crave her,  
For three pence honest Man or Knave may have her.

But if she be handsomely bound, it will cost you seven  
pence or eight pence, marry and a good Penny worth of it  
too, for then he shall have Writing-Paper bound betwixt  
the Leaves of it, in which my honest Countryman may  
write when his Cow went to Bull, when he paid the Smith  
his Tally, &c. or if he be a Batchellor, he may (if he pleases)  
write Love-Verses in them; all this I thought good to ad-  
vertize my Reader, and so for this Tear I take my leave.

Your Annual Star-Gazer,

P. R.

A Word unto the wise I do not grutch,  
But two words unto Fools is too too much.

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# The Regal TABLE.

Kings and Queens.	Born anno	Began to Reign	Reigned Y. M. D.	Since they Reigned.	Buried at
William	1 1003	1066 Oct. 14	20 11 22	614 Sept. 9	Caen Norman.
William	2 1057	1087 Sept. 9	12 11 18	601 Aug. 1	Winchester
Henry	1 1068	1100 Aug. 23	35 4 11	566 Dec. 2	Reading
Stephen	1 1105	1135 Dec. 1	18 11 18	545 Oct. 25	Feverham
Henry	2 1132	1154 Oct. 25	34 9 2	512 July 6	Fonteverard
Richard	1 1155	1189 July 6	9 9 0	502 April 9	Fonteverard
John	1 1165	1199 April 9	17 7 0	489 Oct. 19	Worcester
Henry	3 1207	1216 Oct. 19	56 0 1	429 Nov. 16	Westminster
Edward	1 1239	1272 Nov. 16	34 8 6	395 July 7	Westminster
Edward	2 1283	1307 July 7	19 7 5	375 Jan. 25	Gloucester
Edward	3 1312	1326 Jan. 25	50 5 7	324 June 21	Westminster
Richard	2 1366	1377 June 21	22 3 14	302 Sept. 29	Westminster
Henry	4 1367	1399 Sept. 29	13 6 3	288 Mar. 20	Canterbury
Henry	5 1384	1412 Mar. 20	9 5 24	279 Aug. 31	Westminster
Henry	6 1421	1422 Aug. 31	38 6 16	242 Mar. 4	Windfor
Edward	4 1442	1460 Mar. 4	22 1 8	218 April 9	Winchester
Edward	5 1471	1483 April 9	0 2 18	218 June 22	Nor. <del>London</del>
Richard	3 1448	1483 June 22	2 2 5	215 Aug. 22	Leicester
Henry	7 1455	1485 Aug. 22	23 10 24	192 April 21	Westminster
Henry	8 1491	1509 April 21	37 10 2	152 June 28	Windfor
Edward	6 1537	1546 Jan. 28	6 5 8	146 July 6	Westminster
Q. Mary	1 1515	1553 July 16	5 4 11	142 Nov. 17	Westminster
Q. Elizabeth	1 1535	1558 Nov. 17	44 4 7	98 Mar. 24	Westminster
James	1 1566	1602 Mar. 24	22 0 3	75 March 27	Westminster
Charles	1 1600	1625 Mar. 27	23 10 3	52 Jan. 30	Windfor
Charles	2 1630	1648 Jan. 30	36 0 7	15 Feb. 6	Westminster
James	2 1633	1684 Feb. 6	3 9 0	Abdicated in December, 1688.	
William	3 1650	1689 Feb. 13	whom God grant long to Reign.		
Mary	2 1662		Died Dec. 28, 1694. Buried at Westminster.		

God bless our Gracious Sovereign King, and send  
His Days in Peace and Plenty he may spend;  
For those that wish him Ill, may they all wear  
A Riding Knot an Inch below their Ear.

# A TABLE of Interest at 6 per Cent.

	1 Month.			3 Months			6 Months			9 Months			a Year.					
	sh.	p.	q.	sh.	p.	q.	sh.	p.	q.	sh.	p.	q.	sh.	p.	q.			
Shill.	5	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	1	3	0	2	2	0	3	2		
	10	0	0	2	0	1	3	0	3	2	0	5	0	0	7	0		
	15	0	0	3	0	2	2	0	5	1	0	8	2	0	10	2		
Pounds.	1	0	1	0	0	3	2	0	7	0	0	10	2	1	2	1		
	2	0	2	1	0	7	0	1	2	1	1	9	1	2	4	2		
	3	0	3	2	0	10	2	1	9	1	2	7	3	3	6	3		
	4	0	4	3	1	2	1	2	4	2	3	6	3	4	9	0		
	5	0	6	0	1	6	0	3	0	0	4	6	0	6	0	0		
	6	0	7	0	1	9	2	3	7	0	5	4	2	7	2	1		
	7	0	8	1	2	1	0	4	2	1	6	3	1	8	4	2		
	8	0	9	2	2	4	2	4	9	1	7	1	3	9	6	3		
	9	0	10	3	2	8	1	5	4	2	8	0	3	10	9	0		
Tens of Pounds.	po.			sh.			p.			po.			sh.			p.		
	10	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	6	0	0	9	0	0	12	0	0	
	20	0	2	0	0	6	0	0	12	0	0	18	0	1	4	0	0	
	30	0	3	0	0	9	0	0	18	0	1	7	0	1	16	0	0	
	40	0	4	0	0	12	0	1	4	0	1	16	0	2	8	0	0	
	50	0	5	0	0	15	0	1	10	0	2	5	0	3	0	0	0	
	60	0	6	0	0	18	0	1	16	0	2	14	0	3	12	0	0	
	70	0	7	0	1	1	0	2	2	0	3	3	0	4	4	0	0	
	80	0	8	0	1	4	0	2	8	0	3	12	0	4	16	0	0	
	90	0	9	0	1	7	0	2	14	0	4	1	0	5	8	0	0	
	100	0	10	0	1	10	0	3	0	0	4	10	0	6	0	0	0	

How many men doth Usury maintain?

First Usurers, who get the greatest Gain,

Next Scriveners, for Bonds and Obligations,

Lawyers, for Forfeitures and Declarations;

Next Catch-poles, when the Creditor doth fail,

And lastly Jaylors when he is in Gaol.

Then have a Care how you on Usury borrow,

Lest for Non-payment you endure this Sorrow.



**A TABLE** shewing how many Years Purchase a Lease or Annuity to endure for any Number of Years under 30, is worth presently, at Interest upon Interest, at Six in the Hundred, and shewing also how to discount any Lease in being, and the true Value of the Reversion after any Number of Years.

The Use and Explanation of the TABLE.								
Years of a Lease.	Years.	Months.	Dec. Parts.	The first Column on the Left Hand sheweth the Years of a Lease, or Annuity, and right against each Year, are the Years, Months, and Decimal Parts of a Month's Purchase that such a Lease or Annuity is worth.	Years of a Lease.	Years.	Months.	Dec. Parts.
1	0	11	0	<p>Example.</p> <p>Suppose a Lease or Annuity to continue 18 Years, and you would know how many Years Purchase it is worth in ready Money, look in the Column of the Years of a Lease for 18 Years, and against the same you shall find 10, 9, 9, which shews such a Lease to be worth 10 Years, 9 Months, and 9 ten parts of a Month's Purchase, in ready Money. And so of the rest.</p>	16	10	1	0
2	1	9	9		17	10	5	0
3	2	8	1		18	10	9	0
4	3	5	9		19	11	1	3
5	4	2	5		20	11	5	7
6	4	11	0		21	11	9	3
7	5	7	0		22	12	0	5
8	6	2	5		23	12	3	0
9	6	9	6		24	12	6	6
10	7	4	3		25	12	9	4
11	7	10	7		26	13	0	0
12	8	4	6		27	13	2	5
13	8	10	3		28	13	4	9
14	9	3	0		29	13	7	1
15	9	8	5		30	13	9	2

But if you buy the Reversion of a Lease now, as suppose a Lease of 20 Years Continuance, and you commence not till 5 Years be past, in this and such like cases, look for the present worth of the Lease, as this of 20 Years which will be found worth 11 Years, 5 Months, 7 tenths of a Month's Purchase; then look the present worth of a Lease of 5 Years, which will be found worth 4 Years, 2 Months, 5 tenths; take this out of 11, 5, 7. and there remains 7, 3, 2. which is, 7 Years, 6 Months, and 5 tenths of a Month's Purchase.

*Some Men so purchase House and Land so love,  
They never mind to purchase Heaven above.*

# A brief Chronology of memorable Things.

the Creation of the World	5703
the General Deluge of <i>Noah's Flood</i>	4048
<i>Julius Caesar</i> conquer'd Britain	1751
the Destruction of <i>Jerusalem</i> by <i>Titus Vespasian</i>	1630
<i>Lucius</i> the first King of Britain	1520
Duke <i>William</i> conquer'd England	634
the Invention of Guns	322
the Art of Printing first found out	260
<i>Tilbury-Camp</i> on St. <i>James's Day</i>	112
the Gun-powder Treason, November 5.	95
the long Parliament began	60
the Loyal Earl of <i>Strafford</i> beheaded	60
the Pious Bishop <i>Laud</i> murdered	56
King <i>Charles</i> the First barbarously murdered	52
the Loyal Lord <i>Capel</i> murdered	52
the Fatal Fight at <i>Worcester</i>	50
<i>Cromwel</i> made himself Protector	46
the Reverend Dr. <i>Hewyt</i> murdered	40
King <i>Charles</i> the Second happily restored	40
the great Plague in <i>London</i> , whereof died 100000	35
<i>London</i> almost consumed with Fire	34
600 Houses burnt in <i>Southwark</i>	24
the Prince of <i>Orange</i> married to the Lady <i>Mary</i>	23
the great Frost which lasted 13 Weeks	16
the Bloody Affizes in the <i>West</i>	15
King <i>James</i> the Second abdicated	12
King <i>William</i> and Queen <i>Mary</i> crowned	11
the terrible Earthquake in <i>Jamaica</i>	8
the Earthquake in <i>England</i>	8
King <i>William</i> went to <i>Ireland</i> with an Army	9
the <i>English</i> beat the <i>French</i> at Sea	7
the last great deep Snow	7

Since

## A Brief Chronology of other Things.

Since *Whittington's* Cat caught such store of Golden Mice, as preferred him afterwards to be Lord Mayor of *London* 302

Since *Monfieur Ragoo* had his Choice either to be hanged, or else to be married to *Doll Troop*, whereupon he thus expostulated,

*What Man in's Wits won't rather chuse  
The herapen, than the Marriage Noose?  
Or in so plain a Case would faultier,  
And take the Ring to leave the Halter.*

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Since *Massaneillo* caused the Baker that made his Bread too light, to be burnt to Ashes in his own Oven 56

*But if this Act should to a Law be made,  
There's few I think which would be of that Trade.*

Since the Comber of *Newport* would not pay Money on a Sunday, and he had a good Reason for it, because he had it not 9

*Let Men rage, rage, roar, or be ne'er so mad,  
Where nothing is, there's nothing to be had.*

Since *T. D.* would not lend Money without a Bond, yet for fear he should lose it, gave the Bond for him to keep who had borrowed the Money of him 6

*Some Men are wise, and some are otherwise,  
And these two Words do all the World comprize.*

Since two spruce, hot-spur, fiery Gallants meeting in the Streets of *London*, jostled for the Wall, drew, and began to fight; a Cöbler hearing that they fought for the Wall, ran to them and cried out, are you so simple to fight for the Wall? Why the Wall is my Landlord's 5

*The Cöbler very simple was no doubt,  
Yet wiser than those for the Wall fell out.*

# January hath xxxi days.

Last Quarter the 1 day, 27 minutes past 3 forenoon.

New Moon the 9 day, 26 minutes past 10 in the forenoon.

First Quarter the 18 day, 3 minutes past 2 in the morning.

Full Moon the 24 day, 4 minutes past 9 at night.

Last Quarter the 31 day, 14 minutes past 7 afternoon.

1	a	New-years day	reins	
2	b	Abel	reins	Now if that I this Year should give
3	c	Enoch	secrets	Some wholesome Precepts for to live,
4	d	Methusalem	secrets	I think it would not be amiss,
5	e	Epiphany	highs.	Since that such need of them there is,
6	f	Simeon	and	For Trading's dead, and money scant,
7	g	1 after Epiph.	hips	And Hell it is to live in want.
8	a	Lucian	knees	The first thing then I shall advise
9	b	Agapite virg.	knees	Is, early in the morn to rise ;
10	c	Sun in Aqua.	legs	For there is nothing got by sleeping,
11	d	W. L. B. C. m	legs	But Poverty thereby is creeping ;
12	e	Garyrius	legs	And yet by some it doth appear,
13	f	Hilary Bish.	feet	That early up and ne'er the near.
14	g	2 after Epiph.	feet	But rising early, do not think
15	a	Mauritius	head	It is only to eat and drink,
16	b	Kintegern	and	No, there is something to be done
17	c	Anthony Ab.	face	Whereby some profit may be won ;
18	d	Prisca virg.	neck	For some no sooner are got up,
19	e	Wolstan	neck	But hands in Cup-board, nose in Cup.
20	f	Sebastian	arms	These men to eat most forward are,
21	g	3 after Epiph.	arms	But for to work their Limbs will spare :
22	a	Vincent	breast	But if the Weather do allow,
23	b	Term begins.	breast	Then follow hard thy work at Plough,
24	c	Timothy	heart	For if that you no Oats do sow,
25	d	Conv. St. Paul	heart	Horses would be ill fed I trow ;
26	e	Polycarpus	bowels	Nor yet in June nor July's season,
27	f	Christopher	bowels	Should we have any butter'd Peafon.
28	g	Supnagesima	reins	Plant Crab-tree Stocks, which by degrees
29	a	Theodore	reins	In time may prove good Apple-trees.
30	b	K. Charles I.	secrets	He that delights to plant and set,
31	c	Cyriacus.	secrets	Makes after Ages in his debt.

# Observations on January.

Now Hyem binds the Floods in Silver Chains,  
And hoary Frost doth candy all the Plains ;  
The Trees and Fields do now more lovely show,  
Whilst they do penance in white Sheets of Snow.

1	Now New-years gifts	8	8	3	52	
2	do fly about,	8	6	3	54	Some Men (though Christ-
3	But poor men they	8	4	3	56	mas be past) shall lose great
4	shall go without.	8	3	3	57	Sums of Money at Cards
5	Half-nos'd Peg	8	2	3	58	and Dice ; such Persons by
6	Vincent Potter	8	0	4	0	my consent, instead of Roast-
7	If thou have store	7	5	9	4	1 Beef and Mutton-Pasty,
8	of worldly Pelf,	7	5	7	4	3 should feed on nothing but
9	Think 'twas not given	7	5	5	4	5 Woodcock-Pye. A great cry
10	thee for thy self,	7	5	4	4	6 of Sprats in the Streets of
11	But that out of	7	5	2	4	8 London, and great store of
12	thy liberal store.	7	5	1	4	9 killing of Hogs in the Coun-
13	Thou shouldst give some	7	4	9	4	11 try, is the greatest News
14	unto the poor.	7	4	8	4	12 now stirring. Now the
15	Lazarillo	7	4	6	4	14 Nights being long and dark,
16	Tom Venner	7	4	5	4	15 Mars also being in Reception
17	Roger Hodgkins	7	4	3	4	17 with the Cusp of Taurus,
18	Fifth Monarchists	7	4	1	4	19 Thieves and House-breakers
19	now got a head,	7	3	9	4	21 do with more Success and
20	And being all	7	3	8	4	22 Freedom follow their Em-
21	to mischief led,	7	3	6	4	24 ployments, but Saturn be-
22	Most desperately	7	3	5	4	25 ing in a Trine with Mercury,
23	the City they	7	3	3	4	27 this at length causes most
24	Assault, and divers	7	3	1	4	29 Sadness at Tyburn, and much
25	Persons slay.	7	2	9	4	31 Mirth at Holbourn-hill. News
26	But for their actions	7	2	7	4	33 is expected from several
27	they did wear	7	2	5	4	35 parts of Christendom when
28	A hempen Noose	7	2	4	4	36 the Post comes in, not be-
29	below their ear,	7	2	2	4	38 fore.
30	Alderman Hoyle	7	2	0	4	40
31	Hobbadebcody	7	1	8	4	42



# February hath xxix. days.

New Moon the 8 day, 31 minutes past 11 at night.

First Quarter the 16 day, 9 minutes past 5 afternoon.

Full Moon the 23 day, 11 minutes past 7 in the morning.

D C	Saints-days.	Signs.	
1	D Bridget (Fast)	thighs	He that would bring both ends together, Must armed be 'gainst wind and weather, For although Winter be not gone,
2	E Purif. Mary	and	
3	F Blaze	hips	
4	G Sexagesima	knees	Yet many Works are to be done;
5	G Agathy	knees	And 'tis not fitting by the fire
6	H Dorothy	legs	Which will accomplish thy Desire,
7	C Zacharias	legs	For that way 'twill be done as soon
8	D Sun in Pisces	legs	As for to lie in Bed till Noon,
9	E Apollonia	feet	But thou abroad must early go,
10	F Scholastica	feet	To see each one their work they do:
11	G Shrove-Sunday	head	For this be sure, that Jack and Jill
12	A Term ends	and	Behind thee will be prating still,
13	H Shrove-Tuesd.	neck	And where the Tongue so swift doth go,
14	C Valentine	throat	The Hands are commonly as slow.
15	D Faustine	throat	If Weather it be fair and dry
16	E Julian Virg.	arms	Be sure let not Plough idle lie,
17	F Diascord.	arms	Lest thou in thy designs be sent,
18	G Quadragesima	breast	For 'tis the Plough must pay thy Rent.
19	A Sabine	breast	Then next see thou thy Thrashers mind,
20	H Mildred	heart	They leave no Corn in Straw behind,
21	C 69 Martyrs	heart	For oftentimes unto thy cost
22	D Peters Chair	bowels	Their Wages that way may be lost.
23	E Polycarp	bowels	Thy Cattel see they be well serv'd,
24	F Intercalaria	reins	Lest Negligence make them half starv'd,
25	G S. Matthias	reins	For 'twill not be for thy avail
26	H Victorine	secrets	To lift thy Cow up by the tail,
27	A Necor	secrets	Neither will that be thy best way,
28	H Augustine	secrets	Thereby to save thy Straw or Hay.
29	C Roman	thighs	Thus if thou do thy business mind,
			Thou wilt much profit in it find.

# Observations on February.

This is Leap-year, then Maidens have a Care,  
And let not young Mens Promises you snare;  
For Lovers Oaths if they be rightly scann'd,  
Are like to Writings written on the Sand.

M.D.	Sinners.	Sun r.	Sun f.	
1	Proth the Tapiter	7 16	4 44	I find not by the Stars
2	Harry Martin	7 14	4 46	we shall have ever a Black-
3	Damaris Page	7 12	4 48	Monday this Month, which
4	Riches attended	7 10	4 50	we are very glad of, because
5	is with Cares,	7 8	4 52	such days are very prejudi-
6	With Troubles and	7 6	4 54	cial to the Credit of Astro-
7	continual Fears;	7 4	4 56	logy. There is like to be
8	whilst poor men they	7 2	4 58	much Variety of Weather,
9	are void of Care,	7 0	5 0	as Hail, Frost, Snow, Wind,
10	Who nothing have	6 58	5 2	Rain and fair Weather;
11	need nothing fear.	6 56	5 4	especially if this Month be
12	And this is that	6 54	5 6	as it hath used to be ever
13	the difference makes,	6 52	5 8	since I can remember.
14	The one sleeps sound	6 50	5 10	About this time, if the
15	whilst th' other wakes.	6 48	5 12	Wind stands fair, will be
16	Hannam	6 46	5 14	a great smell of Pancakes
17	German Princess	6 44	5 16	and Fritters, which will
18	Saturday Jack	6 42	5 18	smell so deliciously as if
19	Some men of Heaven	6 40	5 20	they cried, come eat me;
20	do often talk,	6 38	5 22	and if the People of the
21	Yet the way thither	6 36	5 24	House say so too, you
22	will not walk;	6 34	5 26	may then fill your bel-
23	But run with speed	6 32	5 28	ly full of them. Too many
24	the way unto	6 30	5 30	Tradesmen shall frequen
25	That leads to	6 28	5 32	the Ale-house more than
26	everlasting woe.	6 27	5 33	their Shops, which shall
27	Pericles Bri. of Tyre	6 25	5 35	bring them to Poverty, for the
28	Du Vall	6 23	5 37	King of Good-fellows doth com-
29	Andronicus	6 22	5 38	monly prove the Queen of Beggars.

# March hath xxxi days.

Last Quarter the 2 day, near 1 in the morning.  
 New Moon the 10 day, 18 minutes past 4. afternoon.  
 First Quarter the 18 day, 34 minutes past 1 in the morning.  
 Full Moon the 24 day, 39 minutes past 5 afternoon.

1	D David Bishop	thighs	The Farmer now is Barley sowing,
2	E Chad Bishop	thighs	For if there were no Barley growing,
3	3 Sund. in Lent	knees	Then we should have no Malt, 'tis clear,
4	Sir H. Hide m	knees	And if no Malt, then no strong Beer;
5	Eusebius	knees	And if there were no strong Beer made,
6	h Frideline	legs	'Twould spoil the Alehouse-keepers trade,
7	c Perpetua	legs	For they their Signs might pull down soon,
8	D Cyprian	feet	And hang themselves up in the room.
9	E L. Capel mur.	feet	Graft Apple-trees now fine and neat,
10	F Midlent Sund	feet	You that would Apple-pasties eat,
11	S Cuniber	head	Begin with Pears, With Apples end,
12	h Gregory	head	If you to have store do intend.
13	h Theodore	neck	If that Lent were well kept indeed,
14	c Candide	neck	'Twould much increase our Cattels breed.
15	D Longine	arms	And we should Seamen have great store
16	E Boniface	arms	Of such were Fishermen before.
17	Passion Sunday	breast	Now hedge and ditch, fence well your
18	S Edward K. m.	and	Especially where danger bounds, (grounds,
19	a Joseph	stom.	Keep Cattel out from Meadows now,
20	h Cuthbert	heart	And ply thy work hard at the Plow.
21	c Benedict	heart	Bring fuel home into thy Yard,
22	D Paulinus	bowels	Blocks, and old Trees that may be spar'd
23	E Theodore	bowels	Provide against a rainy day,
24	h Palm-Sunday	reins	For true it is Proverb doth say,
25	E Lady-Day	reins	'Tis money makes the Mare to trot.
26	a Castor	secrets	A Shilling sav'd is twelve-pence got.
27	h Martian	secrets	And lastly thou must understand,
28	c Maundy-Thursd.	thighs	That Quarter Day is now at hand.
29	D Good-Friday.	and	Then whatsoever is delay'd,
30	E Guido	hips	Be sure thy Landlord he be paid,
31	h Easter-Day	knees	Else 'twill be worse I am afraid.

# Observations on March.

Now blustering *March* comes in, the Spring begins,  
And Days upon the Nights in length now wins;  
Physicians now great store of Money earn,  
And Lawyers they are brewing 'gainst the Term.

1	Friar Bungey	6	19	5	41	
2	James Naylor	6	17	5	43	Now doth <i>Jack-a-Lent</i>
3	If thou have health	6	15	5	45	begin to look as lean, mea-
4	no Physick take	6	13	5	47	ger, and hollow, as the
5	Both for thy Purse	6	11	5	49	Beast that hath nothing to
6	and Body's sake;	6	9	5	51	feed on but vertuous Wo-
7	For thou wilt find	6	6	5	54	men. Strange and new
8	if thus thou do,	6	4	5	56	Diseases shall bring several
9	Thy Body worse	6	2	5	58	Persons to their long
10	and Pocket too.	6	0	6		homes; but poor men shall
11	Mother Damnable	5	58	6	2	have very few rich friends
12	Gregory Clement	5	56	6	4	die, but rich Kindred a
13	Madam Cresswell	5	53	6	7	great many. Bones once
14	Some wretched minds	5	51	6	9	broken and set together a-
15	still think on this,	5	49	6	11	gain, grow the stronger,
16	Who have most Wealth	5	47	6	13	but I would not wish any
17	have most of Bliss.	5	45	6	15	man to break his Neck to
18	But goods ill got	5	43	6	17	try the Experiment. Now
19	have sad affrightings,	5	41	6	19	the Northern Wind dries
20	Late had I wist,	5	39	6	21	up the Southern Dirt, and
21	remorseful bitings;	5	37	6	23	the Physicians Art empties
22	And all who thus	5	35	6	25	the Patients Purse. Some
23	with goods do flow,	5	33	6	27	Landlords could almost turn
24	Wealth breeding want	5	31	6	29	Catholicks, and worship our
25	more wretched grow.	5	28	6	32	Lady, for the sweet Incomes
26	Levelling Ludlow	5	26	6	34	her <i>Annunciation</i> brings,
27	Massaniello	5	24	6	36	but to poor Tenants, that
28	If thou wouldst live	5	22	6	38	time is as welcome as the
29	and be at rest,	5	20	6	40	Murrain among their Cat-
30	Then hear, and see,	5	18	6	42	tel.
31	and speak the best.	5	16	6	44	

# April hath xxx days.

Last Quarter the 1 day, 33 minutes past 5 in the morning.  
 New Moon the 9 day, 18 minutes past 6 in the morning.  
 First Quarter the 16 day, 3 minutes past 7 in the morning.  
 Full Moon the 23 day, at 7 in the morning.

1	<b>G</b>	Easter Monday	knees	New Tanners do their Bark provide,
2	<b>a</b>	Easter Tuesday	legs	To tan the Sæter and the Cow-hide,
3	<b>b</b>	Ulpian	legs	Else we no Boots nor Shooes should have,
4	<b>c</b>	Ambrose	legs	Our Feet from wet and cold to save,
5	<b>d</b>	Vincent	feet	Nor would the Coaches be so common
6	<b>e</b>	Egisippus	feet	To Oyster-wives, nor each Tub-woman,
7	<b>f</b>	Low Sunday	head	But to the Gentry them among,
8	<b>g</b>	Dionysius	head	To whom they properly belong.
9	<b>a</b>	Valerian	neck	To pole your Hops now is the time.
10	<b>b</b>	Eschillus	and	And teach them with the Sun to climb,
11	<b>c</b>	Leo Pap.	throat	For Hops to make strong-lasting Beer
12	<b>d</b>	Hugh Bishop	arms	As good as Malt is very near,
13	<b>e</b>	Zenon	arms	For good Hops have that Sovereign Power
14	<b>f</b>	2 after Easter.	breast	To keep your Beer from being lower,
15	<b>g</b>	Olympia	breast	And stale strong Beer 'tis known full well,
16	<b>a</b>	Isidore	heart	For mornings draught doth bear the bell.
17	<b>b</b>	Term begins	heart	And now comes in the Dairy-Trade,
18	<b>c</b>	Oswin	bowels	When store of Cheese and Butter's made,
19	<b>d</b>	Timothy	bowels	Stout <i>Cheshire</i> thou no praise shalt leese
20	<b>e</b>	Victor Mar.	reins	For making of the purest Cheese,
21	<b>f</b>	3 after Easter.	reins	Whilst in those places nigh to <i>London</i> ,
22	<b>g</b>	Emanuel	secrets	By making Butter, Cheese is undone,
23	<b>a</b>	St. George	secrets	For taking all the Butter from't,
24	<b>b</b>	Wilfride	thighs	It makes the Cheese look bluely on't,
25	<b>c</b>	Mark Evang.	and	But Cream and Milk in <i>Cheshire</i> ever,
26	<b>d</b>	Clete	hips	As they do come, so go together.
27	<b>e</b>	Anastasius	knees	Sow Hemp and Flax now is the prime,
28	<b>f</b>	4 after Easter.	knees	Sweet Marjoram, Winter-savory, Thyme,
29	<b>g</b>	Sybil	legs	Open Bee-hives, kill worms and snails,
30	<b>a</b>	Erkenwald	legs	Such little matters much avails.



# Observations on April.

Now Snows are quite dissolv'd, fresh grass we see,  
To cloath the Fields, and Leaves on every Tree;  
Fair coloured Flowers in the Meadows spring,  
And now the Birds their untaught Notes do sing.

1	Collier of Croydon	5	14	5	46	In this Month (according
2	Blind Hewson	5	12	5	48	to the Opinion of the best
3	Cold shivering Winter	5	10	6	50	Astrologers) doth the Cuc-
4	now is done,	5	8	6	52	kow begin to sing, by which
5	Neighbours rejoyce	5	6	6	54	those that are skilful in times
6	the Cuckow's come.	5	4	6	56	and Seasons, do assuredly
7	Now if he should	5	2	6	58	know that the Spring is
8	sing at thy Door,	5	0	7	0	come. I cannot find any
9	Think not the worse	4	5	8	7	2 thing by the Stars to per-
10	of Wife therefore,	4	5	6	7	4 swade me that rich Usurers
11	But see that much	4	5	4	7	6 will make Bonfires of their
12	of him you make,	4	5	2	7	8 Bills and Bonds, because
13	Feed him with Curds	4	5	0	7	10 they will suppose that such
14	and with Cheese-cake.	4	4	7	7	13 firing will be more charge-
15	He may have no	4	4	5	7	15 able than Coals at eighteen
16	Cause to complain,	4	4	3	7	17 pence the Bushel, and that
17	But willingly	4	4	1	7	19 this is a truth, any one that
18	come there again.	4	3	8	7	21 will may see plainly without
19	John Berkstead	4	3	8	7	22 the help of a pair of Nose
20	Miles Corbet	4	3	6	7	24 Compasses. Now a red Nose
21	John Okey	4	3	4	7	26 such as commonly are in the
22	He who doth steal	4	3	2	7	28 Zenith, and as torrid as if
23	and hath no need,	4	3	0	7	30 they lay parcht under the
24	I wish the Gallows	4	2	8	7	32 sun when he enters into
25	may him speed;	4	2	7	7	33 Cancer, is very dangerous to
26	But poor Thieves we	4	2	5	7	35 come near a Magazine, but
27	at Gallows find,	4	2	3	7	37 very comfortable and re-
28	When rich Thieves off	4	2	2	7	38 freshing in a frosty Morning.
29	do stay behind	4	2	1	7	39
30	Franck the Fidler	4	2	0	7	40

# May hath xxxi days.

Last Quarter the 1 day, 22 minutes past 1 in the morning.  
 New Moon the 8 day, 32 minutes past 5 afternoon.  
 First Quarter the 15 day, 22 minutes past 11 forenoon.  
 Full Moon the 21 day, 6 minutes past 5 afternoon.  
 Last Quarter the 30 day, 6 minutes past 6 afternoon.

1	b	May-day	legs	
2	c	Achanasius B.	feet	Now make an end of sowing Barley,
3	d	Invent, Crofs	feet	And walk the fields in mornings early,
4	e	Festum Coron.	head	But that I may good Counsel utter,
5	f	Rogat. Sunday	and	Before thou goest eat Sage and Butter,
6	g	Jo. Port. Lat.	face	For that as ancient People say,
7	a	John of B.	neck	Is very good this month of May.
8	b	Stanislaus	neck	Oysters they are now out of season,
9	c	Ascension-day	arms	Instead whereof comes in green Peafon,
10	d	Mammertus	arms	But they until this month is past,
11	e	Leo Pap	breast	Are only for my Lady's taste.
12	f	E. Strafford m.	breast	Now Ale icleaped <i>Scurvy-grass</i> ,
13	g	Term ends	heart	Doth for his Vertue much surpass,
14	a	Isidore	heart	But should it cure all of the Scurvy,
15	b	Brandon	bowels	'Twould do an Act most high and worthy,
16	c	Peregrine	bowels	For very few People, I think,
17	d	Dunstan	reins	But had need of this Ale to drink.
18	e	Potentius	and	Now fallow up thy Land for Wheat,
19	f	Whit-Sunday	loins	And pick such stones out that are great,
20	g	Whit-Monday	secrets	To mend such places are out-worn,
21	a	Whit-Tuesday	secrets	The better to bring home thy Corn.
22	b	Desiderius	thighs	And now that it is <i>Whitsuntide</i> ,
23	c	Trans. Franc.	thighs	A Gammon of Bacon provide
24	d	Adeline	knees	To feast thy honest Neighbours, who
25	e	Urban	knees	No doubt the like to thee will do,
26	f	Trinity-Sund.	knees	This breedeth Concord, which infolds
27	g	Coronis Mar.	legs	All that which the World's safety holds.
28	a	German	legs	When neighbours thus do live at Peace,
29	b	K. Ch. II. Nat.	feet	All Discords, Jars, and Law-tricks cease.
30	c	Petronel	feet	And 'tis a joyful thing to see,
31	d	Term begins	feet	When men thus live in Amity.

# Observations on May.

This is the Month when as the Eastern Morn,  
Doth with his Summer Robes the Plains adorn;  
When lavish Nature in her best attire,  
Cloaths the gay Spring, the Season of Desire.

1	Now Ladies they	4	18	7	42	It would make a Man
2	do make repair,	4	17	7	43	admire to see how La-
3	unto Hyde-Park	4	15	7	45	dies-Gentlewomen, and
4	both foul and fair;	4	14	7	46	themselves too, make a
5	And each one makes	4	12	7	48	shift to look so pump
6	themselves as fine	4	11	7	49	and fair with those
7	As Six-pence a-	4	10	7	50	llender pittances which
8	gainst that same time,	4	8	7	51	they eat at their Tables;
9	But airless Features	4	7	7	52	out if you consider the
10	give content,	4	6	7	54	Callisses eaten before
11	True Beauty needs	4	4	7	56	Dinner, and the Sweet-
12	no Ornament.	4	3	7	57	meats after, then it is
13	Isaac Ewer	4	2	7	58	no wonder at all, now
14	Cook Lawrell	4	0	8		viewing the Cherries
15	Poor Innocents	3	5	8	2	and the Strawberries in
16	we oft times see,	3	5	8	3	he fair Cheeks and
17	For great Mens Faults	3	5	8	4	Lips of Ladies, one
18	they punish be.	3	5	8	5	could otherwise affirm
19	Dirty Doll	3	5	8	7	but it is Summer; but
20	Rablais	3	5	8	8	if you take notice of the Snow
21	Bad Deeds ne'er scape	3	5	8	9	and warm Snow-balls that
22	unpunish'd still,	3	5	8	10	lie below their Necks, you
23	Two Men revenge	3	4	8	11	would be ready to swear that
24	not, yet Heaven will.	3	4	8	12	it can be no other than win-
25	Pride the Dray-man	3	4	8	13	ter. <i>Taurus</i> hath great Pre-
26	Squire Ketch	3	4	8	14	ominancy this Month, which
27	Dick Tarlton	3	4	8	15	will cau e many Light-heels
28	So many ways	3	4	8	16	gives to make their Hus-
29	so Death do lie,	3	4	8	16	an's sleep in Horn-work
30	Who can stay one	3	4	8	16	Caps, and is not that a pitty-
31	resolv'd to die.	3	4	8	17	ful case, that the Devils Pi-
						ture should adorn their Hus-
						bands of Brows. B

# June hath XXX. days.

New Moon the 7 day, 26 min. past 2 in the morning.  
 First Quarter the 14 day, 34 min. past 4 in the afternoon.  
 Full Moon the 21 day, 15 min. past 6 in the morning.  
 Last Quarter the 29 day, 10 min. past 9 in the afternoon.

1	c	Nicodemus	head	Disrobe your Sheep now of their Fleeces
2	e	1 after Trin.	head	'Tis Wool brings in the golden Pieces ;
3	g	Erasmus	neck	How many thousands are maintain'd,
4	a	Petrorie	neck	By Wool which from the Sheep is gain'd
5	b	Boniface	arms	If it were not for Wool, how then,
6	c	Cladius	arms	Should Websters live like Gentlemen?
7	d	Robert Abbot	breast	By Wool do Combers gain their Chink,
8	e	Dr. Hewyt m	breast	Who spend it free again in Drink.
9	f	2 after Trin	heart	Were't not for Wool thousands of
10	g	Onuphrius	heart	(Spinners,
11	a	St. Barnabas	bowels	Would have but very slender Dinners
12	b	B. fil. Confes	and	The Weavers Trade would be but dull,
13	c	Anthony	belly	And if that we should have no Wool.
14	d	Rasil Bish.	reins	Mercers and Woollen-drappers might,
15	e	Vitus	reins	If not for wool bid Trade good Night.
16	f	3 after Trin.	secrets	Were't not for Wool then we should
17	g	Botolph Ab.	secrets	(Jack,
18	a	Marcelline	thighs	Cloths for to put upon our Back ;
19	b	Term ends	and	And if their should no Cloths be made,
20	c	Silverius	hips	'T would quite undo the Taylors Trade,
21	d	Walburg	knees	Cloth-workers, Shear-men nor Cloth-
22	e	Albany	knees	(drawers,
23	f	4 after Trin.	legs	Would be no Beef nor Mutton gnawers,
24	g	St. John Bap.	legs	Were't not for Wool, nor many more,
25	a	Trans. of Eli.	legs	To whom Wool gaineth Mony store.
26	b	John & Paul	feet	Since Wool then brings such Grists to
27	c	7 Sleepers	feet	(Mill,
28	d	Leo fast	head	Shear Sheep that have them lay we
29	e	Peter Apost.	head	(still,
30	f	5 after Trin.	neck	Weed now your Corn from Thistles,
				(and
				Such Weeds as do annoy your Land ;
				Manure your Ground, but cut no Tree.
				Let quickly dead you do it see ;
				Be moderate in your Exercise,
				Purge not nor Bleed I thee advise.

# Observations on June.

Days glorious Prince the Sun hath wrought his track,  
Up to the top of lofty *Cancer's* Back ;  
The icy Ocean cracks, the frozen Pole,  
Thaws with the Heat of the celestial Roal.

13	Loggerheads	3	42	8	18	Now the Weather is
2	John Fry.	3	42	8	18	hot, which will require
3	Some wicked Minds	3	42	3	18	good store of Drink; be-
4	would make intrusion.	3	41	8	19	gin therefore in the
5	By force of Arms	3	41	8	19	Morning with a spheri-
6	to bring Confusion ;	3	41	8	19	cal Toast in 2 Pot of Ale
7	But wise Men have	3	41	8	19	of good Capacity, that
8	preferred far,	3	41	8	19	it may not be resisted,
9	An unjust Peace	3	41	8	19	but force Passage, and
10	for a just war.	3	41	8	19	break t:rough all Ob-
11	Fryer Tuck	3	41	8	19	structions. Before Din-
12	Mugleton	3	41	8	19	ner again, refresh your
13	Qui j'et in terra,	3	41	8	19	Lamp with the gene-
14	non habet unde cadat.	3	41	8	19	rous Oyl o' Sack, nitty,
15	whose Pallet is	3	41	8	19	roapy and rarcy ; at
16	the very Ground.	3	41	8	19	Dinner with the same,
17	Sleeps sure from falls	3	41	8	19	unless for varieties sake
18	if he Sleeps sound.	3	41	8	19	you have an auxiliary
19	Col. Clansey	3	42	8	18	and lusty Glass or two
20	Sir Henry Vane	3	42	8	18	<i>Wine de France.</i> After
21	Pantagruel	3	42	8	18	Dinner, for you must
22	Let Man best Huf-	3	43	8	17	not have too long intermis-
23	band be alive,	3	44	8	16	sions, to your Sack again,
24	If W <sup>e</sup> be bsd	3	44	3	16	and so like prudent Smiths,
25	he will not thrive ;	3	45	8	15	have by your Forge the
26	Bus if in thrift	3	46	8	14	Trough of Water continually,
27	they both do jyn,	3	47	8	13	and learn your Quantities,
28	That brings in straits	3	48	8	12	for piddling Draughts will not
29	the merry Coyn.	3	49	8	11	do it. And this is laid down
30	Tom Featherbrain	3	50	8	10	for a fundamental Rule by
						your <i>Arinians</i> , the <i>Ber-</i>
						<i>reans</i> , the <i>Aleans</i> , the <i>Can-</i>
						<i>arians</i> , and the <i>Clarsteers</i> .



# July hath XXXI days.

New Moon the 6 day, 42 min. past 9 in the forenoon.  
 First Quarter the 12 day, 13 min. past 12 at night.  
 Full Moon the 20 day, at 9 at night.  
 Last Quarter the 28 day, at 11 at night.

1	G	Romwald	neck	
2	a	Visit. R. Mary	arms	The Farmer now great Pains doth take,
3	b	Cornelius	arms	His Meadows to cut down and make,
4	c	Ulricus	breast	And thriftily doth lose no time
5	d	Tom. Chal. n.	breast	For to make Hay whilst Sun doth shine,
6	e	Sexburga Q.	heart	For every one will this allow,
7	f	6 after Trin.	heart	That Hay is good for Horse or Cow;
8	g	Chilian	bowels	And also both for Lambs and Sheep,
9	a	Cyril Bishop	bowels	When Snows are on the Ground full
10	b	Ger. & Vo. m.	reins	(deep:
11	c	Pius	reins	For although now it Summer be,
12	d	Sun in Leo	secrets	And all Thing flourish as you see,
13	e	Margaret	secrets	Yet Winter cannot be withstood,
14	f	7 after Trin.	thighs	When Hay will be accounted good.
15	g	St. Swithin	and	If that you troubled are with Fleas,
16	a	Osmond	hips	So that you cannot lie at ease,
17	b	Keselm	knees	Get Rue and Wormwood, which (they
18	c	Rosina	knees	(say)
19	d	Dog day beg.	legs	Will drive them from you quite away;
20	e	Alexius	legs	Or if all Day you drink apace,
21	f	8 after Trin.	legs	'Twill make your Body in that case,
22	g	Mary Mag.	feet	That you may lie in Bed all Night,
23	a	Apolin Bish.	feet	And never feel the Fleas to bite;
24	b	Chris. Bish.	head	But rather than such Medicine use,
25	c	James Ap.	and	Do not a Flea-biting refuse.
26	d	Anne	face	Now for to pull Hemp is the time;
27	e	Martha	neck	Wherewith is made both Rope and Line;
28	f	9 after Trin.	neck	But have a care, this Counsel choose.
29	g	Beatrice	arms	Be sure beware o'th Hempen Nose.
30	a	Abdon	and	For where that Idleness doth lurk,
31	b	German Bish.	should.	It oft times makes the Hangman Work;
				Take Pain for Gain then I advise,
				One Knave mars twain, or else there's
				(Lies

# Observations on July:

This is the Month when as Night hath begun,  
To steal by Minutes on the long liv'd Day,  
The furious Dog pursuing of the Sun,  
Whose noisome Breath adds Fervour to his Ray.

1	Happy is that	3 50 8 10	The Stars do seem to
2	Man I say,	3 51 8 9	Prognosticate to mar-
3	That entertains	3 52 8 8	ried People, no better
4	the rising Day	3 53 8 7	mart than a dead Wife,
5	With Prayer, and	3 54 8 6	especially if they know
6	holy Meditation	3 56 8 4	where to get another
7	Free from Trouble	3 57 8 3	that is a Rich one. And
8	and Vexation.	3 58 8 2	some Men shall be so ri-
9	And contented	3 59 8 1	diculously fond, as to
10	is as well,	4 08 0 0	forsake a handsome
11	In his bumble	4 27 5 8	Wife to follow after a
12	homely Cell,	4 37 5 7	nasty Whore; and yet
13	As they who shine	4 47 5 6	what can any Man see
14	in Courts of Kings,	4 67 5 4	in a Whore to affect her
15	And have at	4 87 5 2	more than a Wife, un-
16	command all Things;	4 107 50	less he suspects his own to be
17	Who in religious	4 117 49	lo? The Weather now is
18	Melancholy,	4 127 48	too Hot for many to Work,
19	Sit and smile	4 147 46	and yet will these Men take
20	at all the Folly,	4 157 45	great Pains at Billiards, Nine
21	All the Pleasures	4 177 43	Pins, Pigeon-holes, Noddy-
22	all the Toys,	4 187 42	boards, Tables, Trunks,
23	That the Worldlings	4 207 40	Snowel-boards, Fox and Geese,
24	Rile their Foys.	4 227 38	and the like; these Decoys
25	And doth make	4 237 37	draw more to an Inn or an Ale-
26	the silent Air,	4 257 35	house, than any thing they
27	Chariot up	4 277 33	have within, besides the Tap-
28	his pious Prayer.	4 287 32	ster. I would advise all young
29	Robert Richburn	4 297 31	Students to have a care not
30	Herostiratus	4 307 30	to intoxicate their Noddles
31	Rhadamanthus	4 327 28	with hot Loaves and Butter,
			Pudding-Pies, and Penny
			Cutlards, which will make
			them meer Dunces and Clo-
			ures. B 2

# August hath XXXI. days.

New Moon the 4 day, 7 min. past 5 in the afternoon.

First Quarter the 11 day, 10 min. past 11 in the forenoon.

Full Moon the 19 day, 42 min. past noon.

Last Quarter the 27 day, at 10 in the forenoon.

1	c	Lammes day	breast	
2	d	Steven	breast	
3	e	Dominicus	heart	Now the Husbandman takes Pains,
4	f	10 after Trin.	heart	To Inn his Crop of several Grains;
5	g	Oswald	bowels	Harvest Horn betimes doth blow,
6	a	Transfigur.	bowels	When Men into the Field do go,
7	b	St. Laurence	reins	Some to reap Rye, and others Wheat,
8	c	Gilbert B.	reins	Good to make Bread for Men to eat;
9	d	Clare	secrets	Others apply themselves to mowing,
10	e	Hipolite	secrets	Where there is Oats or Barly growing,
11	f	11 after Trin.	secrets	Some to hook Pease for to fat Swine,
12	g	Assum. B. Mar	thighs	We may on Pork and Bacon dine.
13	a	Sun in Virgo	thighs	Others are busied at Carting,
14	b	Roch	knees	Each one in that which he hath art in:
15	c	Mammes	knees	Thus his Month doth give us Bread,
16	d	Octab. Lawr.	knees	By which are many Thoulands fed,
17	e	Cyrian	legs	The teeming Earth by Seed increaseth,
18	f	12 after Trin.	legs	Afordeth Food for Man and Beast;
19	g	Magnus	feet	The painful Husbards Industry,
20	a	Lewis Bish.	feet	The craving Belly doth supply,
21	b	Bernard	feet	Which wanting Food would quickly
22	c	Eus Andr. m.	head	(Die.
23	d	Zacheus	head	To pick your Hops now have a care,
24	e	Barthol. Ap	neck	Dew off the Ground and Weather fair,
25	f	13 after Trin.	neck	And being pickt, see them well dry'd,
26	g	Irenæus	arms	The better then they will abide.
27	a	Dogdays end	and	The binds stript off, Hop-poles pre-
28	b	Augustine	should.	(serve,
29	c	S. John beh.	breast	That they another Year may serve,
30	d	Lucas & L. m	breast	For every Year new Poles to Buy,
31	e	Paulinus	heart	A Foe is to good Husbandry.

When you an end of Harvest make,  
Be sure remember *Hoaky-Cake*,  
Let Servants all then have strong Beer,  
They'll better serve another Year.

# Observations on August.

The Reaper now panting for Heat and Pain,  
With crooked Sickle shaves the tufted Plain,  
Where full eared Sheaves grown on the fruitful Soil,  
Reward the Farmer for his painful Toil.

1	Hudibras	4	34	7	26	Mercury-bearing rule
2	Wolner of Windsor	4	36	7	24	most part of this Month,
3	Pay justly Tribes	4	38	7	22	is the best Planet un-
4	who ever thou be,	4	40	7	20	der which a Man may
5	That God the better	4	41	7	19	pick his Teeth with least
6	my bless thee.	4	43	7	17	Danger. We hear of lit-
7	Though Parson be	4	45	7	15	tle wooing in the Coun-
8	be Bad or Evil,	4	47	7	13	try, for Love being a
9	Go not for tithing	4	48	7	12	kind of Fooling, that
10	to the Devil.	4	50	7	10	is only now practised at
11	Luke Robinson	4	52	7	8	Baribolem: w fair. There
12	Witch of Endor	4	54	7	6	will be little Employ-
13	Where Master ke	4	56	7	4	ment now for Oyster-
14	is out of Place,	4	58	7	2	Women nor Lawyers,
15	Servants by reason-	5	07		0	though at other times
16	ing the case,	5	26		58	they can bawl so loud
17	How this thing should	5	46		56	and so long, you would
18	be done, and that,	5	66		54	think they fed upon no-
19	Spend half their time	5	86		52	thing but green Liquori b.
20	in idle Chat.	5	106		50	I wonder what that Thief
21	Mother Cunney	5	126		48	Mercury doth with the
22	John Down	5	146		46	Planet Venus, why even the
23	Mouthing Moll	5	166		44	very same that Heffars and
24	A Maiden that	5	186		42	Padders do with Ladies of
25	is Fair and Rich,	5	206		40	Pleasure: The direful effe s
26	To love her gives	5	226		38	of this Conjunction, for the
27	all Men the lick,	5	246		36	most part concern the In-
28	But she that's foul	5	266		34	habitants of Whetstones-
29	and without Gold,	5	286		32	Park, Luteners Lane, D S
30	May live a Maid	5	306		30	and Bitch-yard, Saffron-hill,
31	ill she is old.	5	326		28	&c.

# September hath XXX days.

New Moon the 3 day, at 1 in the morning.

First Quarter the 10 day, 33 min. past 1 in the morning.

Full Moon the 18 day, 48 min. past 4 in the morning.

Last Quarter the 25 day, 20 min. past 4 in the afternoon.

1	a	14 after Trin.	heart	
2	b	Veronica	bowels	The Farmer like to Horse in Mill,
3	a	Gregory	bowels	Continu'y is Labouring still,
4	b	Theodosia	reins	No sooner he one Harvest Inns,
5	c	Martin	reins	But for another he begins,
6	d	Eugenius	secrets	And with strong Hand their Business
7	e	Gorgon	secrets	(ply,
8	f	15 after Trin.	thighs	In Sowing now of Wheat and Rye ;
9	a	Silvius	thighs	For those who minded are to thrive,
10	b	Protho	knees	For all Advantages must strive.
11	c	Burchan.	knees	Pull Yoaks from off Hogs Necks.
12	d	San in Libra	knees	(that they
13	e	Amancie	legs	The better 'bout the Woods may stray
14	f	Holy Rood	legs	Some Hogs with mast themselves so
15	a	16 after Trin.	feet	(fill,
16	b	Edith	feet	That they grow fat, and fit to kill,
17	c	Lambert	feet	And being kill'd to bo'l or roast,
18	d	Victor	head	Some Men will buy what e're it cost.
19	e	January	head	Pluck up thy Nemp, beat out the
20	f	Eustatius	neck	(Seed.
21	a	Matthew Ap.	and	And Water it as ye have need,
22	b	17 after Trin.	throat	But not where Cattle they should drink
23	c	Maurice	arms	For poysoning of them with the flink.
24	d	Tecla Virg.	arms	Now Quarter Day comes on apace,
25	e	Cleophas	breast	Be sure therefore in any case,
26	f	Cyprian	breast	Mony provide against that Day,
27	a	Cosin & Dam	heart	Or else thou must go pack away ;
28	b	Exupera	heart	For still it must be understood,
29	c	Mich. Arch.	bowels	Tho Landlord he be n're so good,
30	d	Hierome	bowels	Yet if he do receive no Rent,
				He very hard will be content,
				Nor can you blame him tho he be,
				For in this case all Men agree,
				That let what chance soever come,
				Without Mony nought's to be done.



# Observations on September.

Anrea's Balance now doth weigh the Light,  
Giving an equal share to Day and Night,  
The chirping Birds begin to cease their Notes,  
And Trees for to put on their yellow Coats.

1	Now Libra's Scales	5	35	6	25	
2	with a just poise,	5	37	6	23	
3	Doth equal make	5	39	6	21	
4	the Nights and Days	5	41	6	19	
5	Oysters they now	5	43	6	17	
6	do come in Season,	5	45	6	15	
7	Cause month hath in's	5	47	6	13	
8	that's the reason.	5	49	6	11	
9	Nose Oliver	5	51	6	9	
10	Nero	5	53	6	7	
11	Jack Bradshaw	5	56	6	4	
12	Near Cambridge Town	5	58	6	2	
13	this Month a Fair,	6	0	6	0	
14	is kept, to which	6	2	5	58	
15	many repair,	6	4	5	56	
16	There store of Hops	6	6	5	54	
17	is for to sell,	6	9	5	51	
18	And Cloth and Stuffs	6	11	5	49	
19	that do excel.	6	13	5	47	
20	Geese there eat Geese,	6	15	5	45	
21	Pigs cry come eat me,	6	17	5	43	
22	There's Sack, web being	6	19	5	41	
23	drank will beat ye.	6	21	5	39	
24	All sorts of Wares	6	23	5	37	
25	you there may buy,	6	25	5	35	
26	There's all things sold	6	27	5	33	
27	but Honesty.	6	29	5	31	
28	Laird Warreston	6	31	5	29	
29	Julian Apostate	6	33	5	27	
30	Tyburn	6	35	5	25	

The Stars seem to  
predict, as if a certain  
young Man should die  
for the Love of a cer-  
tain young Maid; but  
those who so die, de-  
serve to be buried un-  
der the Gallows more  
than they who kill them-  
selves with Working.  
Some Persons of no  
good Qualities fall by  
the Hand of Justice, for  
(if I mistake not) the  
Assizes are near. The  
great News stirring  
about this time is, That  
those who buy Horses of  
Horse-Courfers, and  
marry Wives out of  
Boarding-Schools, are  
very like to be cheated.  
Jupiter being now Lord of  
the tenth House, signifies,  
that Men shall rather desire  
to go to others Burials, than  
that others should come to  
theirs, and that very few  
honest Bakers shall be put in  
the Pillory.

# October hath XXXI days.

New Moon the 2 day, 56 min. past 9 in the forenoon.  
 First Quarter the 9 day, 12 min. past 7 in the afternoon.  
 Full Moon the 17 day, 54 min. past 8 in the afternoon.  
 Last Quarter the 25 day, 45 min. past 3 in the morning.  
 New Moon the 31 day, 36 min. past 9 at Night.

1	a	Remigius	reins	
2	b	Leodegar	reins	Still ply the sowing of thy Wheat,
3	c	Candide	secrets	And sow the best Seed thou canst get.
4	d	Francis	secrets	For this for a true Maxim know,
5	e	Constance	thighs	If Seed be good, good Grain will grow.
6	f	19 after Trin	and	Yet oft a Father bad and evil,
7	g	Dionysius	hips	May have a Son that's good and civil:
8	a	Victor	knees	But very seldom from bad Seed,
9	b	Nicasius	knees	It is that good Corn doth proceed.
10	c	Wilfrid	legs	Now gather Fruit, the Moon past
11	d	Trans. of Ed.	legs	(full,
12	e	Calixt p. m.	legs	The Weather dry, not misty, dull,
13	f	Sun in Scorp.	feet	For apple Pies, and apple Tarts,
14	g	Mich. in Mant.	feet	And other Things made by Cook's arts.
15	a	E. Darby m.	head	And if thou have of Apples store,
16	b	Gallus	and	Rather than rot upon the Floor,
17	c	Florence	face	Make Sider of them, which (I hear)
18	d	Luke Evang.	neck	Is the cheif Drink in <i>Worster-shire</i> ,
19	e	Ptolomy	neck	And other Places too; in fine
20	f	21 after Trin.	arms	It is the English brisk <i>White-wine</i> .
21	g	11000 Virg.	arms	Sow Seed, hard Kernels, such as these,
22	a	Mary Salome	breast	Plums, Cherries, Acorus, Nuts, Aln-
23	b	Term begins	breast	(keys,
24	c	Wendoline	heart	Crabs, and Pear-Kernels, Lettice sow,
25	d	Crispine	heart	And plant choice Tulips for to grow,
26	e	Amandus	bowels	Plant fruit Trees of all sorts you may,
27	f	22 after Trin.	bowels	When they their Leaves have lost away,
28	g	Simon & Juda	reins	But let your Wall-Trees never want,
29	a	Narcissus	and	A Years Grafting ere you them Plant.
30	b	Germane	loyns	Now stamp your Crabs, and Verjuices
31	c	Quintine	secrets	(make,

For that good Husbandry I take;  
 Provide now for thy Winters store,  
 Ere that cold Weather comes too sore,  
 And serve thou God, thou needst no  
 (more.

# Observations on October.

This Month the taking Phisick may do good,  
To dislodge Flegm, and purifie the Blood;  
But let Phisitians prattle what they please,  
The Man that's Temperate dreads no Disease.

1	Now drink good Sack,	5	36	5	24	The Vacation draws
2	but drink not so,	6	38	5	22	towards an end, which
3	That thou canst neither	6	40	5	20	makes the Suburbs re-
4	stand nor go.	6	42	5	18	joyce for the coming in
5	Excess is bad	6	44	5	16	of Trading. Some E-
6	in every thing,	6	46	5	14	clipses this Month, for
7	And doth Diseases	6	48	5	12	Men run away from
8	on thee bring.	6	50	5	10	their Wives; there
9	Let every one	6	52	5	8	eclipsed Bodies are not
10	drink moderate then,	6	54	5	6	seen in our Horizon, for
11	Wine was the gift	6	56	5	4	when Men have had
12	of Gods to Men.	6	58	5	2	Wives, they love to go
13	But by excess	7	0	5	0	from 'em as far as they
14	becomes accurst,	7	2	4	58	can. Many shall talk
15	of Things corrupted	7	4	4	56	much of Religion, and
16	prove the worst.	7	6	4	54	indeed the Discourse
17	Warril on the Butcher	7	8	4	52	thereof hath so much
18	Scot the Brewer	7	10	4	50	occupied the World, as
19	Cook the Solicitor	7	12	4	48	it hath well near driven
20	Hughkin the Jester	7	14	4	46	the practice thereof out
21	John Carew	7	16	4	44	of the World. O how
22	John Jones	7	17	4	43	hath the Worlds bright
23	Adrian Scroop	7	19	4	41	Glory put out the Eyes
24	Daniel Artel	7	20	4	40	of our Mind; we plead
25	Charon	7	22	4	38	for Tiches till our Breath
26	Sir Giles Goosecap	7	24	4	36	fails us, dig for Riches
27	Who takes a swing	7	26	4	34	whilst our Strengthen-
28	at Tyburn Tree;	7	28	4	32	ableth us, and exercise
29	'Twill cure his Neck	7	30	4	30	our Malice so long as we
30	with certainty.	7	32	4	28	can revenge.
31	Phelp the Scribler	7	33	4	27	

# November hath XXX days.

First Quarter the 8 day, 10 min. past 3 in the afternoon.

Full Moon the 16 day, at noon.

Last Quarter the 23 day, 38 min. past 9 in the forenoon.

New Moon the 30 day, 50 min. past 9 in the forenoon.

1	d	All Saints	secrets	
2	e	All Souls	thighs	Make Malt this Month now and kill
3	f	23 after Trin	thighs	(Hog)
4	g	Vitalis	knees	And 'gainst cold Weather provide Logs,
5	a	Powder Plot	knees	For thou wilt find ere Winters end,
6	b	Leonard	legs	Good Fires with Logs will be thy Friend
7	c	Wolfride	legs	And then a Fire made with this Cost,
8	d	Claudius	legs	Will serve, thy Pork to boil and roast,
9	e	Theodore	feet	And for to warm the Hauds of many,
10	f	24 after Trin	feet	Forecast is savor of many a Penny.
11	g	Martine	head	Now hang to dry <i>Martins</i> —Beef,
12	a	Sun in Sagitt.	and	Which when Meat's dear gives good
13	b	Brice	face	(relief)
14	c	Frederick	neck	And if I be not much mistaken,
15	d	Macute	neck	Is nought inferior unto Bacon,
16	e	Edmond	arms	How ever those have Stomachs good,
17	f	25 after Trin	arms	Account it to be dainty Food
18	g	Gelasius	breast	Thresh Barley but as need requires,
19	a	Elizabeth	breast	For fresh, thresh'd Straw Cattle desires,
20	b	Edmond King	heart	And lay thy Chaff up charily,
21	c	Mary	and	As also Chaff of Wheat and Rye,
22	d	Cicely	back	From Feathers and from other Drofs,
23	e	Clement	bowels	Which will be unto thee a Lots.
24	f	26 after Trin	bowels	Now Farmers they good Meals do,
25	g	Catherine V	reins	(make,
26	a	Line	reins	With offal which from Hogs they take,
27	b	Agricola	secrets	And count the same as dainty Fare,
28	c	Term ends	secrets	As Pig, Goose, Swan, Cunney or Hare;
29	d	Saturn fast	thighs	Having good Stomachs to their Meat,
30	e	Andrew Ap	thighs	They eat to live, nor live to eat,

And mixing Labour with their Dyet,  
Free from all Luxury and Riot,  
More happy are therein than he,  
To whom both *Indies* subject be.

## Observations on November.

Now Turneps make a noise in every Street,  
And care is us'd to Cloath the Head and Feet ;  
Men with their Wives in Bed lie Arm in Arm,  
And hug full close to keep each other warm.

1	Let no occasion	7	38	4	22	
2	now thee urge,	7	39	4	21	
3	(Less desperate Sick)	7	41	4	19	
4	to take a Purge ;	7	42	4	18	
5	But for all Phisick	7	44	4	16	
6	refrain from it,	7	46	4	14	
7	Which makes thee for	7	47	4	13	
8	to sh— or Vomit ;	7	49	4	11	
9	But if thy Guts	7	51	4	9	
10	with Asbestumle,	7	52	4	8	
11	Burnt Brandy down	7	54	4	6	
12	thy B-ly tumble.	7	55	4	5	
13	For it is good	7	57	4	3	
14	I do assure thee,	7	58	4	2	
15	And ten to one	8	0	4	0	
16	but it will cure thee.	8	1	3	59	
17	Colebrand	8	3	3	57	
18	Rainsborough	8	4	3	56	
19	3 Loggerheads	8	5	3	55	
20	A Pot of Ale	8	7	3	53	
21	now, and a Toast,	8	8	3	52	
22	A handsome Hostess,	8	9	3	51	
23	merry Host,	8	10	3	50	
24	Tobacco, and	8	11	3	49	
25	a good Coal-fire,	8	11	3	49	
26	Are Things this Sea-	8	12	3	48	
27	son do require.	8	13	3	47	
28	Jack Adams	8	13	3	47	
29	Henry Ironon	8	14	3	46	
30	Rogue the Register	8	15	3	45	

This Month the old Wo-  
man that was drowned  
at Ratcliff High-way a  
Fortnight ago, shall be  
found playing at Cards  
at Sir John Vang's House,  
which shall make most of  
the People in Bedlam  
stark out of their Wits  
to see it. Those who  
are now weary of lying  
alone, may if they please  
marry, but have a care  
of wedding a Shrew,  
for her Voice is not  
half so melodious as a  
Nightingals. There is no  
likelihood of any Swarms of  
Bees this Month, because the  
Dog-star is neither in the  
Dragon's Head nor yet in its  
Tail. Gold is a great Cor-  
ial to the Pocket, as Canary  
to the Stomack ; and a young,  
pretty, neat, handsome, clean-  
ly, well condition'd, learned,  
rich, bountiful Virgin, an  
excellent Piece for a Bachelor  
to make a Wife of.



# December hath XXXI days

First Quarter the 8 day, 44 min. past 11 in the forenoon

Full Moon the 16 day, 6 min. past 1 in the morning.

Last Quarter the 22 day, at 9 at night.

New Moon the 30 day, at 6 in the morning.

1	A	Advent Sund	knees	
2	B	Candida	knees	
3	A	Osmond	knees	A Christmas Carrol.
4	B	Barbara	legs	Now that the time is come wherein
5	C	Sabine	legs	our Saviour Christ was born,
6	D	Nicholas	feet	The Larders full of Beef and Pork,
7	E	Ambrose	feet	the Garners fill'd with Corn;
8	F	2 Sund. in Ad.	feet	As God hath plenty to thee lent,
9	G	Joachim	head	take comfort of thy Labours,
10	A	Eulalia	head	And let it never thee repent
11	B	San in Capri.	neck	to Feast thy needy Neighbours,
12	C	Paul Bishop	and	Let Fires in every Chimney be
13	D	Lucie	throat	that People they may warm them
14	E	Nicasius	arms	Tables with Dishes covered,
15	F	3 Sund. in Ad.	arms	god. Victuals will not harm them.
16	G	O Sapientia	breast	With Mutton, Veals, Beef, Pig & Port,
17	A	Lazarus	breast	well furnish every Board,
18	B	Christopher	heart	Plum-pudding, Furinity, and what
19	C	Venest	heart	thy Stock will then afford.
20	D	Julian fast	bowels	No Niggard of thy Liquor be,
21	E	Thomas Ap.	bowels	let it go round thy Table,
22	F	4 Sund. in Ad.	reins	People may freely Drink, but not
23	G	Victor	reins	so long as they are able;
24	A	Candy	secrets	Good Customs they may be abus'd,
25	B	Christmas day	secrets	which makes rich Men to slack us,
26	C	St. Stephen	thighs	This Feast is to relieve the Poor,
27	D	St. John Ev.	and	and not to drunken <i>Bucchu</i> .
28	E	H. Innocent	hipps	Thus if thou doest,
29	F	1 aft. Christ.	knees	'twill credit raise thee,
30	G	David	knees	God will thee bless,
31	A	Silvester	legs	and Neighbours praise thee.

# Observations on December.

December last creep coldly up its rear,  
Loaden with sweet Plum-porridge, and strong Beer;  
Thus one Year glides away, another comes,  
As Drummers drum, then cease to beat their Drums.

1 Blue-Beard	8 16 3 41	Now the Days are
2 If thou have store	8 16 3 44	cold and hungry, and
3 Relieve the Poor,	8 17 3 43	Hunger is a sharp, but
4 What thus is spent	8 17 3 43	not so good a Sauce as
5 To God is lent.	8 18 3 42	Mustard is to powder'd
6 Julian of Croyden	8 18 3 42	Beef. The Stars seem
7 Peg Lemon	8 19 3 41	to predict a great In-
8 Mun Prideaux.	8 19 3 41	undation of roast Bee
9 Tinker of Bedford	8 19 3 41	and minc'd Pies this
10 Dirty Doll	8 19 3 41	Month, but all the craft
11 With cast up Eyes,	8 19 3 41	will be in the getting
12 Some Men precise,	8 19 3 41	of them. Mercury and
13 Their Zeal defies	8 19 3 41	Venus in a Trine with
14 All Christmas-pies.	8 19 3 41	Mars, signifies much
15 Yet these so neat	8 19 3 41	playing at Cards about
16 Minc'd Pies can eat,	8 18 3 42	this time, but have a
17 And think't no cheat,	8 18 3 42	care of the third sort
18 Only the name	8 17 3 43	of Court Cards, for if
19 'Tis bears the blame,	8 17 3 43	your Picture come to
20 Tho 'tis the same.	8 16 3 44	be drawn in that Garb,
21 They will not suiter,	8 15 3 45	you will think of a Knave
22 Each Name to alter,	8 14 3 46	ever after. Grocers, But-
23 Call a Siringa Hal'er.	8 14 3 46	chers and Cooks are in as full
24 Yet will refuse	8 13 3 47	Employment as Chyrurgions
25 On their Necks to use	8 12 3 48	after a sharp fought Battle
26 A Hempon Moose	8 12 3 48	and there is more no se with
27 Tho once und again,	8 11 3 49	the rathing of Spit and Drip-
28 One should maintain,	8 11 3 49	ping-Pans, than there is
29 'twere a G. ld Chain.	8 10 3 50	with the sound of Drum-
30 Wavator Powel	8 9 3 51	ard Trumpets. To live Ho-
31 Mephostophiles	8 8 3 5	nestly is a good taking at
		end of the old Year.

**A Table shewing the time of High-water**  
at 1. *London*, 2. *Gravesend* and the *Dowry*, 3. *Rochester*  
and *Malden*, 4. *Quinborough*, *Portsmouth*, *Isle of Wight*,  
*Spiss*, &c. with Hours and Minutes.

Moon's Age.	<i>London.</i>		<i>Gravesend.</i>		<i>Rochester.</i>		<i>Quinborough.</i>	
	H	M	H	M	H	M	H	M
1	16	3	48	2	18	1	33	12
2	17	4	36	3	6	2	21	1
3	18	5	24	3	54	3	9	2
4	29	6	12	4	42	3	57	3
5	20	7	0	5	30	4	45	4
6	21	7	48	6	18	5	33	4
7	22	8	36	7	6	6	21	5
8	23	9	24	7	54	7	9	6
9	24	10	12	8	42	7	57	7
10	25	11	0	9	30	8	45	8
11	26	11	48	10	18	9	33	8
12	27	12	36	11	6	10	21	9
13	28	1	24	11	54	11	9	10
14	29	2	12	12	42	11	57	11
15	30	3	0	1	30	12	45	12

**The Use of the TABLE.**

The first Column is the Moon's Age, the second Column shews the Hour and Minutes when it is high Water at *London*, as it is noted in the Head of the Column, and so of the rest in order; when the Moon is 1 or 16 days old, it is High-water at *London* at 3 a Clock 48 Minutes; at *Gravesend* at 2 and 18 Minutes; at *Rochester* at 1 and 33 Minutes; so it is easy to be understood, being even with the Moon's Age in every Column.

The Sea with spread Arms stands ready the tender,  
Of daily Tribute, which the swollen Flood render,  
Into her Chequer, whence as worthy Kings,  
She helps the wants of thousands lesser Springs.

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*Of the Eclipses this present Year 1700.*

**I**N this Year 1700. there will happen but two Eclipses, both of which will be of the Moon.

*The First Lunar Deliquium* will fall out on February the 23 day about six of the Clock in the Morning, it happens in the 15th degree of *Virgo*; this will be a total Eclipse and visible before the setting of the Moon.

*The Seconda Eclipse* of the Moon on the 18th of August about two Hours after Noon, therefore invisible unto us; but it will be a great Eclipse, and will so appear in the remote parts of the Earth.

*The Names and Characters of the twelve Houses.*

♈ Aries, ♉ Taurus, ♊ Gemini, ♋ Cancer, ♌ Leo, ♍ Virgo, ♎ Libra, ♏ Scorpio, ♐ Sagittarius, ♑ Capricorn, ♒ Aquarius, ♒ Pisces.

*These are the twelve Houses of Heaven, from whence  
Astrologers fetch their intelligence,  
Keeping their State intelligencers there,  
Their Spies to see what's done in every Sphere;  
But oftentimes, whatever they do aile,  
Their Spies and their Intelligence doth fail.*

*The Names and Characters of the seven Planets,*

♄ Saturn, ♃ Jupiter, ♂ Mars, ☉ Sol, ♀ Venus, ☿ Mercury, ☾ Luna.

*These are the rolling Lamps we do descry.  
The wandering Spangles of the azur'd Sky,  
By whom Astrologers events do guess,  
which sometimes hit, and oftentimes do miss.*

*The Aspects both old and new.*

♌ Conjunction, ♌ Semisextile, \* Sextile, ♌ Quintile, □ Quas-  
tile, △ Tridtile, △ Trine, ♌ Biquintile, ♌ Opposition.  
*The Stars Nights gaudy Jewels, Heaven's clear Fires;  
which with the Moon succeeds, when day retires.  
The starry Senate, who with twinkling Eyes  
Do with disorder'd Order guild the Skies.*



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### Of the four Quarters of the Year, and first of the Spring.

THE Spring Quarter we commonly place first, altho Nick Wood the Eater, and Mr. Marrius the Feeder, do prefer the Winter Quarter before it, because of Christmas; when Colon is commonly stuffed with variety of dainty Victuals. But the Physicians, both learned, and unlearned, unanimously vote for the Springs precedence, because then People commonly take Physick, whether they have any need or no, only because it is the fashion. Besides now the Earth doth put on her Holiday Apparel, cloathed with a new Livery, dispreed with various Flowers, and chequered with all delightful Objects; a Season no less proper then propitious to Lovers.

*When Gardens pranke with Rose-Buds do Spring.*

*And Nightingales do make the woods to ring.*

Now do the Sons of Mars buckle on their Armour, ready prepared for warlike Encounters.

*Where Drums and Trumpets do awake the Day,*

*And brandisht Ensigns bravely they display,*

*Steel glistering Spears the very Fields asfright,*

*And all the Camp seemes fir'd with Armour bright.*

So that where Armies are near, and fully resolved to fight, 'tis ten to one but you may hear of bloody Slaughters, and many Men killed, so that the Earth which is wont to bury the Dead, may its self now be buried with dead Bodies.

*Thus Men which ask long time in bringing up,*

*Do on a sudden tast deaths fatal Cup.*

This pleasant Quarter continues untill the Sun that glorious Lamp of Heaven runs his Perambulation through the three celestial Signs of Aries, Taurus, and Gemini, being the most part of blustering March, dripping April, and pleasant May; untill the 1<sup>th</sup> of June.

*Unto the Fiast of Barnabas the bright,*

*When is the longest Day, and shortest Night.*

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Summer.

THE Summer Quarter succeeds the Spring, as fair Weather comes after rain, or as a great Belly follows Marriage. It beginneth according to the account of Astronomers on 11th Day of *June*; the Sun then entring into the first point of the solstitial Sign *Cancer*, and continues the rest of hot *June*, and parching *July*, and fruitful *August*, till the 12th of *September*, at which time the Days and Nights will be of equal length.

*When Summer's Pride begins to fade away;*

*And Night it encroach upon the Hours of Day.*

In this Quarter (saith my Author) ye ought to live chaste, whatever ye do in the other three; but I say ye ought live chaste in the other three as well as in this, lest it happen to you as it did to a *French Monsieur*, who having been to see the Rarities in *Oxford*, amongst the rest of the Lanes, he remember'd one was called, *Seven deadly sins Lane*, which place he marked diligently, that he might find the Way thither again, which he did not long after, and as well as he could in his half *English*, he enquired in this Lane, where was it *House of Lust*? Pray tell me *te House of Lust*? at last he knockt at a Door, at which a sharp nos'd eager Woman came, unto whom he said, Madam, is *this te House of Lust*,? of Lust, you Rogue, said the Woman, having in her Hand a Broom-staff (wherewith her Husband and she had been deciding the controversy for the Breeches) and laid it on with that force, that she gave him a broken Pare, to his broken *English*; whereat *Monsieur* standing plaguily corrected, cryed her Mercy, that had none of him, and said, I be mistake Madam, *its be not te House of Lust, but te House of Wrath.*

*were all whoremasters served in this kind,*

*They would not Baudy-Houses so much mind.*

This Quarter, the lusty Noon Tide of the Year, when *Flora* lays forth all her Pride, and every Hedge yields relief to the hungry Traveller, lasts till the Sun runs his golden Pilgrimage through the three celestial Signs of *Cancer*, *Leo*, and *Virgo*, and then gives place to *Autumn*.

*The evening of the Year, when the threst Sheaf  
Lose th its grain, and every Tree its Leaf.*

*As.*

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## Autumn.

**T**HE *Autumnal* or Harvest Quarter, taketh its beginning at such time as the Sun, the bright surveyor of the Heavens, makes his first entrance into the Equinoctial Sign *Libra*, being the 12th day of *September*, again equalling the Days and Nights as at the Spring, being as like for length as two Eggs for whiteness, or as *Darius* Sons, *Tymber*, and *Larides*.

*Such perfect Copies were they of each other,*

*Their Parents knew not Tymber from his Brother.*

Now is made abundance of *Sider*, the Anagram whereof is desire: It being a Liquor that is desirable if it be made good.

*But not comparable to Sprightly Wine,*

*Squeez'd from the lusty cluster of the Vine.*

And indeed, Wine were the most sovereign Cordial drink in the World, were it not Sophisticated and Adulterated by the Art (I will not say knavery) of the Vintner; whose mixtures and compounds are such, that as a Beggers Cloak is so full of Patches, it is hard to know which was the original Cloath; so by their jumbling Additions and Subtractions, the Compounds are so far beyond the Original, that it hath but little taste or vigour of its native purity; and if this be not true, then the Poet is a Lier.

*Late in the Night when most Men are asleep,*

*And few are stirring, but Thieves, Rats, and Crickets;*

*Into the Vault the Vintner down doth creep.*

*Where how he deals with Bung-holes and with Spickers*

*I cannot tell, yet some Men do relate,*

*He makes his Wines to prove Adulterate,*

*Which in the Brain vile Excrements do gather,*

*That unto most Diseases is the Father.*

This Quarter the only time of the Year for Nuts, Apples, and Oysters, beginneth (as we said before) *September* the 12th and continueth till the Sun, that Prince of Light, the Day's bright Champion, runneth his Perambulation through the three Celestial Signs of *Libra*, *Scorpio*, and *Sagittarius*, and then comes Winter.

*When downy Snow doth make the Fields look old.*

*And we have plenty of Frost, Ice, and cold.*

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Winter.

**W**inter the last and worst of all the four Quarters, beginneth December the 21<sup>th</sup>. and continueth till the Sun that curl'd pate Waggoner of Heaven, Monarch of Days and Years, and Father of winged Time; hath with his hot Steeds drawn his triumphal Chariot through the three Celestial Signs of *Capricorn*, *Aquarius*, and *Pisces*, being the shortest days and coldest season of all the Year.

*When as Men's Hair with Isickles are hung,  
And chattering Teeth confound the useless Tongue.*

Now can we see nothing but a pale Sun, and a thred-bare Earth, the Birds are mute, and the Trees leafless; the Meadows which in the Spring wore a Mantle of *Flora's* richest Tapistry, are now robed in a Vest of Snow, and the greatest comfort we now find, is in a Pot of Ale and a Toast in the day time, and warm Sheets and a kind Bedfellow at Night. Yet is this Quarter much cryed up by Lawyers, because of *Michaelmas Term*, their profitablest Harvest of all the four.

*Who purchase Land, build Houses by their Tongue,  
And study right that they may purchase wrong.*

And I wish with all my Heart there were not such just cause of complaint against the unconscionable Fees of some Lawyers, to fall into whose Hands is like the Sheeps seeking shelter of the Briamble against a Storm.

*Some say that Lawyers are so honest grown,  
They will not take a Fee to plead a Cause,  
Tho once they had a Fee, now they have none;  
That single Word accords not with the Laws.*

*It must come showring in a golden Flood,  
Or some of them will do a Man small good,  
And whatso're Men give they'l not forsake it,  
Because they know that by the Law they take it.*

This cold, wet, durty, frosty, uncomfortable Quarter would be very unwelcome were it not for some comfortable refreshments which *Christmas* bringeth along with it. It lasteth the most part of cold December, freezing January, and dirty February, to the 10<sup>th</sup> of March, and then ends.

*When cometh in the everwelcome Spring,  
That Grass and Trees do flourish, and Birds sing.*

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The Afs-trological Scheme.



For the true meaning and explanation of this Scheme, I shall herein consult neither with *Argol*, *Kepler*, *Tycho-Brache*, *Origanus*, *Cardanus*, *Broisradus*, *Haly*, *Albuzazer*, *Striet*, *Erra-Pater*, *Wing*, *Lilly*, *Gadbury*, *Parker*, *Partridge*, &c. who make a gainful Trade to the Twelve Houses for intelligence, where they have it by whole-sale, and afterwards sell it out by retale; no, what I do shall be from my own Head, and perhaps to as much purpose as some of theirs.

No, what that we shall do is only by guess,

And so do all of them both more and less.

To proceed then, *Jupiter* we find domineering in the tenth House; this position hath great influence over Women's Tongues, insomuch that some Women shall have mote and stranger Tongues than ever *Babel* had to tell its Ruines; viz. a lying Tongue, a lisping Tongue, a long Tongue, a lawless Tongue, a loud Tongue, and a liquorish Tongue, but never a true one.



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*But all these Tongues which we have nam'd before,  
A Neat's Tongue's worth them all and twenty more.*

Mercury and Luna being in Conjunction, and both of them variable and unconstant Planers, will be the causers of many doubts; as whether a Lawyer with a safe Conscience may take double Fees; what difference there is betwixt an Untruth and a Lie; whether my Lady may eat Butter with her Eggs, or have her Poffet turn'd with Lemmon or Ale; when it is least dangerous for a Master to kiss his Maid, for being espied by her Mistress; whether it be best to do it behind a Door like D. F. or invite her to an Ale-house like J. S. when it is best for Men to eat roasted *Hedg. Hogs* with the Bristles on; and when it is the best time for a Man to have the French Pox.

*Such things as these there's no Man can deny,  
May be resolv'd by A's prology.*

Now Mercury being the Patron of Thieves and Lyars, under his influence, many shall be born who shall as soon cease to live as cease to lie; and such a one was that Host of which Mr. Garton thus writeth in his *Festivious Notes upon Don Quixot*. Who swore that riding over a Marsh he caught a monstrous Eel with his Horse-Hoof, for a loose Nail struck into the Fish and held it; being caught insensible to the Rider, untill his Horse being often vext with the Fishes wrigling about his Heels, threw the Inkeeper off his Back, whereby he came to see what he had caught besides his fall; The greatness of the Fish (for he swore it was as thick as his Sign-Post) and the manner of taking it, attracted much People to his House, for he had stuffed the Skin for a shew, and made it bigger than any Conger. This story swam a long while, untill it was drown'd by a Brother of his, who being a great Fisher, troll'd for a Jack, which he had observ'd often, and was of a wonderful growth, wherefore furnisht with Tackle accordingly to the worth of his Prey, he threw in, and suddenly she pought his Baite, and held him play for an Hour before he could bring her to Land; then he presently disgorg'd the Fish, and upon the opening out flew a wild Duck, which it seems the Pike caught as it made a stoop to the Water; The Duck by reason of the closeness of the place it was in, and being grip'd at the catching, could not fly far

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far, so that he came home with double Prey, being furnished both with Fish and Flesh.

*My Host but that his Life is abrogated,  
Would justify each thing is here related.*

Again, Saturn is in a Trine with Mars, some Men would willingly play the knave, but that they have not the wit to do it; it also portends great plenty of those hedging Blades, who having spent their Estates profusely either in Vaulting-Schools, or at Cards and Dice, the Devil's Bones and the Devil's Books, make their retreat to the *High-Pad*, those stiled Squires of the Nights Body, *Diana's Forresters*, Gentlemen of the Shade, and Minions of the Moon; for the fortune of these Moons-Men doth ebb and flow like the Sea, being governed as the Sea is by the Moon; sometimes in a low ebb at the foot of the Ladder, and by and by in as high a flow at the ridge of the Gallows.

*Fortune's unstable in such slippery Ways.*

*For oft the Hang-man doth abridge their Days,*

*And being thus caught in a Hemp'n Noose,*

*The Stars predict thereby, their Lives to lose.*

Venus a benigne Planet being weakly fortified in the tenth House, signifies that fasting shall be much used where People have no *Virtuals*; it also portends a great plenty of *Narcissals*, *Changlings*, *Wife-acres*, *Paper-skulls*, *Codde-Brain*, *Pope-Bubbles*, *Shuttle-skulls*, *Half Wits*, *Simplerions*, *Nine-hammers*, &c. many of these People being left, viz. by their Parents, and come to Years of Age, before they arrive to Years of Discretion, shall be fit objects for *Knaves*, *Cheaters*, *Rooks* and *Canny Catchers* to play upon.

*Man's life's a Play, the World a Stage, whereon*

*Learn thou to play, or else be play'd upon.*

Mercury that subtle Thief being gotten into a square with Luna, notwithstanding many Matches prove very unfortunate, yet such is the destiny of some Men, that the Carr-Wheel of Fortune shall drive them into the Coach Box of Affection, that they will never leave norill they come to these Words, *To have and to hold for better or worse*, and being got into the Matrimonial Noose, they may sing,

*Like a Dog with a Bottle i'd clasp to his Tail,*

*Like a Tory in a Bog or a Thief in a Gaoil,*

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*He may sigh he may pine, yet cannot all his art,  
Undo this strong Noose till death them do part.*

*Jupiter* is either in the eighth or ninth House, we know not which, nor is it much material, because the signification is all one; only I could wish all those who have store of Money, to have a care how they lay it out, because *Mercury* is in opposition to the *Dragon's Tail*. It also portends the death of some great French Lady, her Heart being broken with the passion of Love, which breaks the Heart of some great French Gentleman Usurer, which breaks the Heart of a great French waiting-Gentlewoman, which breaks the Heart of a great French Taylor, which breaks the Heart of his Maid Servant, which breaks the Heart of his eldest Prentice, which breaks the Heart of a young Semstress, which breaks the tender Heart of a Grammar School Boy. Now all this being put together, signifies, that it is easier to find a Thief in a Mill, than for to find an honest Miller.

*Diogenes with Candle at Noon Day,  
Could scarcely find one honest amongst they.*

And lastly, *Sol* being in a fiery aspect with *Mars* and old *Saturn* playing at Noddy, with *Mercury*; this prognosticates ill luck for Usurers, when their Creditors break, and they for Grief thereof hang themselves. *Jupiter* also being ill posited in *Leo*, denotes the strangest Things possible, but that there is no reason in Love; how that Deputies of Wards shall marry their Cook-maids, Aldermens Widows match with their Turn-Broaches, and great Ladies mate with their Horse-keepers. *Venus* is in opposition to *Virgo*, some Females with crackt Maidenheads shall seek to solder them up by marriage: But what says the learned *Albumazer* in this case, *Nauticum causum & fixum lastum*, Once a Whore and always a Whore.

*More might be said but then more must be spoke,  
The weights fell down because the Jack-line broke.*

*Against the Opinion of some which ascribe to the Stars a binding Fate.*

SOME there are who ascribe to the Stars a binding and inevitable necessity of Fate, and that they inforce and compell Men to the acting of such and such Things, an error of the *Caldeans*, and after them of the *Stoicks*, *Pharisees* *Priscillians*, and others, of which *Quid* and *Jurnal*. Ra-

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*Ratio fatum vincere nulla valet,  
Servis regna dabunt, captivis Fata triumphos.  
'Gainst Fate no counsel can prevail.  
Kingdoms to Slaves by Destiny,  
To Captains Triumphs given be.*

Indeed we cannot think those glorious bodies were set in the Firmament only to adorn it, but for Instruments and Organs of God's divine Providence, so far as it hath pleased his just Will to determine; but not as binding Causes, but as open Books, wherein are contained and set down all things whatsoever to come, but not to be read by the Eyes of human Wisdom, and this is the opinion of *St. Origen*. But that either the Stars or the Sun have power over the Minds of Men immediately, It is absurd to think, saith *Sir Walter Raleigh* in his *History of the World*, for if God should constrain the Mind and Will of Man to impious Acts, by any celestial Enforcement, then sure the impious excuse of some were justifiable; of whom *Saint Augustine*: *Impia perversitate in malis actis rectissime reprehendit ingerunt accusandum potius aliorum siderum quam commissorem scelerum. Where we reprehend them of evil Deeds, they again with wicked perverseness urge, that rather the Author and Creator of the Stars, than the doer of the evil, is to be accused.*

But howsoever we are by the Stars inclined at our birth, yet there are many things both in Nature and Art that encounter the same, and weaken their operation: And *Aristotle* himself confesseth, that the Heavens do not always work their effects in inferiour Bodies, no more than the Signs of Rain and Wind do always come to pass. And *Ptolemy* also confesseth thus much, *Sapiens & omnia sapientis medici dominabuntur Astris, A wise Man, and the ominous art of a wise Physician, shall prevail against the Stars.*

And if this strength of the Stars were so transferred as that God had quitted unto them all dominion over his Creatures; be he Pagan or Christian that so believeth; the only true God of the one, and the imaginary Gods of the other, would thereby be dispoiled of all Worship, reverence, or respect.

*Live then devoutly, and without offence,  
And fear not any Starry influence.*

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*A Continuation of Prognostications upon several Trades and first of Fishmongers.*

**F**EAR not want of Trading ye noble Company of Fishmongers, young Men will court Maids, married Wives long for Place, and those Women who have not new Gowns to walk abroad in the *Holydays*, will feed their Husbands with *Carp* and *Powr* a fortnight together; Curst Masters will bestow salt *Eels* on their Prentices, and the only Enemies of your Trade, - will be a Dog, a Butcher, and a Puritan. Indeed your trade hath very much decayed since Noble *Walworth*, *London's* Lord Mayor, and a Brother of your Company, stab'd *Wat Tyler* that imperious Rebel, and gain'd the Dagger to the City Arms. But if my Art fail me not the eating of Fish shall come in fashion again, when a dish of old Ling and Mustard will make a brace of Serving-men's Beards wag: Then shall Lent be your Harvest, and every Wednesday and Fryday your Market-days.

*And this no doubt will satisfy your Mind,  
When as your Purses are with Silver lin'd;  
For Mony now to such esteem is mounted,  
That without it a Man is naught accounted.*

*Vintners*

**I** Prognosticate the jolly red-Nos'd Tribe of *Vintners*, great store of trading for you this Year: The Juice of the Grape shall be more in request than the Juice of Barley, and the old Woman shall forsake her *Aqua vita* Bottle, and swear that Sack is a more cordial Drink by far. Many Bargains shall be made over a Bottle of Canary, and much burnt Claret spent at Christenings and Burials, so that we see Wine ushers us in and out of the World. The Poets shall recant their Errour that *Nectar* and *Ambrosia* was the drink of the Gods, and swear 'twas no other than Canary and Claret. The Quaker being elevated with the Juice of the Grape, shall swear by his yea and nay, that there is no Popery at all in this Spanish Liquor. Nay the very Oyster Wives will tell ye, that their Commodities are not half so Good, as when they are wash'd down with a Glass of Canary.

*Delicious Wine, whose dancing sprightly Bubbles  
Disseminate degenerate Hearts, and the dull Troubles  
Of poor afflicted Hearts, darting such Graces,  
As casts a Glory round about our Faces.*

*Haber-*



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### Haberdashers of Hats.

THE greatest Enemies to your Trade will be Quakers, for they never spoil their Hats with pulling them off; but to make you amends, the Boys shall clap their Hats under their Knees, when they devoutly fall down to worship the Nine-pins; you may justly brag to be the uppermost Trade of a Man's whole Body; Nimble-tongu'd Lads, who can clap a Hat on a Customers Head, and swear by your honesty that it is excellently well blockt. Many young Wenches will this Year get them Husbands, and then (forsooth) the black Bag must be turned into a Demi-casser, to distinguish her from that which perhaps she was not before, viz. a Virgin. Your often changing of Fashions, must make your Fashionmongers be ever buying of new Covers for their Cox combs, they holding it for an undeniable Maxim, that out of the Fashion, out of the World, and then all those who will be in the Fashion, must come to your Shops to buy them new ones.

*Thus Pride and Folly will your Coffers fill,  
For Gallants they the Fashion follow wild  
What e're it cost them; and you were to blame,  
If that you make them pay not for the same.*

### Haberdashers of small Wares.

Whatsoever your Trade is, the Women do very much dislike the name of it, yet great Bags of Money may be gotten by dealing in such small Wares. A Muster-Master may as soon call over his Role of Soldiers, as you to nominate each particular you trade in, Pins, Points, Filleking, Laces, Needles, Thred, Buttons, Tape of all sorts, Packthred, Thred-Buttons, Cards, Dice, Paper Primmers, Hornbooks, Psalters, Inkhorns, Cadice, Almanacks, and a thousand pretty Things more, besides Tobacco and Tobacco-Boxes. So wishing you great trading for your small Wares, that you may get store of Money, and do good with it, when you have got it, I bid you adieu.

*And if you get more Money than you know  
How you may very well the same bestow,  
Build Almshouses, Highways and Bridges merrily,  
And now and then a pint at Tavern spend.      (See also page 1)*

Stationers.

**B**Y the general name of Stationers is included three several sorts of Callings or Trades. viz. Paper-Merchants, Printers, and Booksellers.

1. Paper-Merchants are Men of account having whole Reams (I mean of Paper) at their command.

*And every Ream were Kingdoms for their strength,  
But that they want a single (l.) in length;  
A Ream of Paper therefore keeps great part,  
And were a Realm, were't not an (l.) too short.*

2. For Printers, I find by the Stars, that when Journeymen Printers leave off and abominate the drinking of strong Liquor, then shall many strange and wonderful matters come to pass.

*Nature shall then become preposterous,  
No Element shall hold his constant seat,  
Heaven shall be Earth, and Earth Jones starry-house,  
Fire shall be cold, and Water shall give heat,  
Summer shall give a snowy Livery  
Unto the Ground; and Does shall Lyons fight.  
Through Air the Crows whiter than Snow shall fly,  
And the Days brightness turn into the Night.  
The Fish shall not inhabit in the Flood,  
And silver Swans shall take a jetty dye;  
The chafing Boar shall not then haunt the Wood;  
With wings then Oxen shall divide the Skie;  
Marble shall then the Wax in softness pass;  
The Chicken then shall prey upon the Kite;  
In the vast welkin shall the Stags seek Grass;  
The Dog forget Arcadian Wolves to bite;  
Stars shall enamel Earth; and from the Tree  
No Leaves shall dangle; Eagles court the Dove;  
The highest Mountains then shall level a be;  
And the fierce Griffons shall the Horses love.*

3. Booksellers, (I do not mean those running, canting, Ten-Toed Tribe of Mercuries and Hawkers, who are no more a kin to a Bookseller than a Scotch Pedlar to a Merchant,) But your bonny Blades of Paul's Church yard, Little-Brittain, Duck Lane, Westminster-Hall, &c. whose Shops are stuff'd full of Books, from the large Folio, to the diminutive Decimo Sexto; Men will now repair to your Shops, knowing the Profit that acquires

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by Learning. Books being impartial Tutors, silent Schoolmasters, mute Instructors, and Treasurers of Knowledge.

*In formal Ink they Thought and Voices bold,  
And make time present travel, that of old,  
Our Life Fame pierceth larger at the end,  
And Books it farther backward doth extend.*

*Scriveners.*

**N**Ever fear *Scriveners* but you shall have a golden Trade this Iron-Age; for you shall make many *Wills*, and so get your *Living*s by other People's *Deaths*. The Skin of the *Sheep* shall cloath you, more than the *Wool* of them, and the *Goose's* Quill feed you more, than their *Flesh*. If you keep but your *Ears* on, and deal honestly, 'tis ten to one but you may bid defiance to the *Pillory*. Though there be far better *Scholars* than you, there are but few greater *Writers*. Some say you have very large *Consciences*, and others swear that you have none at all; but above all Things let me advise you, not to go in to Mourning for the death of your honesty. Let me further advise ye to purchase your *Wives* quiet, to leave out in your *Writings* the Word *Notwithstanding*, and to put in the *Head* thereof *always provided*.

*Which when that Clause you truly can afford,  
'Twill gain you quiet both at Bed and Board:  
But if with Notwithstanding still you deal,  
Then look for scolding Breath at every meal.*

*Surgeons.*

**A** *Surgeon* is one that hath some Business about the building of the little House of Man, whereof Nature is as it were the *Tyler*, and he the *Plasterer*; he is most merry when others are most sad, getting his *Living* by others *Harms*: I cannot but prognosticate a great Employment for you this Year, but your *Gains* shall be more from *Venus* than *Mars*, from the *Placket* than from the *Pike*; for one *Whore* shall send you more *Clyents* than forty *Soldiers*; and *Gallants* so clapt, will pay you well, not only for the cure, but also for the secrecy. I would not have you to eke out a Cure as a *Lawyer* can do a *Case*; who can make one suit of Law to out-last five Suits of *Broad Cloth*. And some such quacking *Leaches* of your Profession there are.

*Who by cyroscopic Plaisters oft make more  
And deeper Wounds than were receiv'd before,*

*And*

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*And by their Chancery Cures do make Men worse,  
To heal the Gashes of their crazy Purse.  
Physicians.*

**N**Ever fear trading, ye adopted Sons of *Galen*, for Noble Men shall use you as directors of their Stomachs, and Ladies for wantonness; you can see by a Rich Mans Waste in a Urinal, diseases enough in it to cure the Consumptions of your own Purse: large Mornings-draughts shall bring you large Sums of Money, and drinking of Healths shall cause hundreds to come to you to be cured of Sickness. In brief, I will give you store of Employment, but not from me. And so I conclude my annual Observations with these Lines of an honourable Pen, against my snarling Critick, who maliciously hath carpt at these my yearly Writings.

*Rail on poor feeble Scribler, speak of me,  
In as bad Terms as the World speaks of thee,  
Sit swelling in thy Hole, like a vent Toad  
And full of Pox, and Malice, spit abroad,  
Thou canst hurt no Man's Fame with thy ill Word,  
Thy Pen is full as harmless as thy Sword.*

### A D V E R T I S E M E N T S.

**M**R. Robert Bateman's true Spirits of Scurvy-Grass being golden and plain, so long famous for their Virtues are truly prepared only by me Martha Smith, sole Executrix to the said Mr. Bateman, to whom only he communicated the Receipt for preparing them, which are to be sold at my House over against the Sun in Great Carter-Lane near Doctors Commons, and at other places as in my printed Bills: Price each Bottle one Shilling.

And whereas one Stephen Terry pretends to make the said Mr. Bateman's Spirits, he is only an upstart and a pretender, and his Spirits counterfeits.

The said Mrs. Martha Smith sells also the Grand Balsam of Health-procuring Pills, approved by the most eminent Physicians to be one of the most safe and pleasant Purges in the World: their Virtues are set down in a printed Sheet given with them: Price one Shilling the Box.

Walter Lloyd at the Ancient Fowler in Tower-street London sells the finest glaz'd or not glaz'd Gun Powder, which by the Experience of several persons of Quality and others; hath out-done all other Gun-Powder, the said strong Gun Powder, and all other sorts are sold by him at reasonable rates.

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